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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

DIRKMANN, ET AL

Serial No.: 09/284,581

Filed: April 15, 1999

For: METHOD FOR HANDLING  
SERVICE CONNECTIONS IN A  
COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

Art Unit: 2663

Examiner: Mehra, Inder P.

AMENDMENT

Box: Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 30, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Applicant(s):

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Invention:

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| TOTAL CLAIMS   | 10 -                                | 20 =                        | 0 x                            | \$18.00 | \$0.00            |
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*Michael A. O'Leary*

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Dated:

October 30, 2002

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